



### **SCREENING CONNECTIONS**

### FOR LTSS SCREENERS

January 14, 2020

Presented by the Division for Aging and Disability Services

## **Todays Conversation**

- Introductions
- Terms
- What has changed or is new?
- Where to find answers?
- Helpful Hints
- Questions and Answers



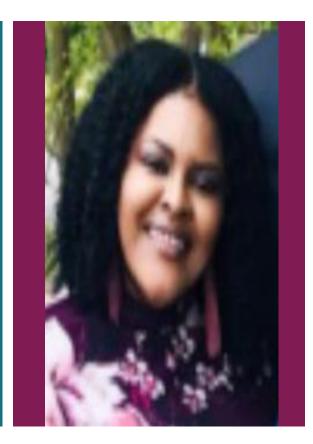
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## Who are Virginia's LTSS Screeners?

- Over 2,000 Screeners across the state
  - 850 Community-Based
  - 1200 Hospital

- Screening Entities
  - 133 Communities/Localities
  - 230 Hospital entities



### Communications

#### Newsletter

- Periodic as needed
- Highlight Current Issues and Resolutions

#### **Conference Calls**

- Monthly through April
  - January 14, 2020
  - February 11,2020
  - March 10,2020
  - April 14, 2020
- Call Evaluation



# The LTSS Screening Opening the Door for Medicaid LTSS





## **Managed Care**

### CCC Plus Program vs CCC Plus Waiver

Individuals who need LTSS are auto-enrolled in the CCC Plus Program

- CCC Plus Waiver
- DD Waivers
- NF Residents

CCC Plus Waiver (incorporated EDCD and Tech Waivers – EDCD and Tech Waiver No Longer Exist)

- FFS
- CCC Plus

Most individuals are enrolled in a managed care health plan.



### **Automations at DMAS**

### VA(MMIS), ePAS and LTC Portal

- To enroll in the CCC Plus waiver or a Nursing Facility, a LTSS Screening with LTSS Authorization MUST BE DOCUMENTED
  - Automated Enrollment and Disenrollment
- Hospitals do NOT have an extra three days to process LTSS Screenings for individuals using Medicare.
   12VAC30-60-306 was revised and the language regarding an additional 3 days has been removed from law.
- All LTSS Screenings must be successfully processed.



# Copies of Successfully Processed Screenings must be provided to the following:

CCC Plus Member Forms Sent to Care Coordinator		FFS Members Forms Sent to Provider		PACE Admissions Forms Sent to Provider
NF Admission	CCC Plus Waiver	NF Admission	CCC Plus Waiver	
Full Screening Package sent to Admitting NF		Full Screening Package sent to Admitting NF		
DMAS-98 (UAI)	DMAS-98 (UAI)	DMAS-98 (UAI)	DMAS-98 (UAI)	DMAS-98 (UAI)
<ul><li>DMAS-95</li><li>Level I</li><li>Level II (if appropriate)</li></ul>		<ul><li>DMAS-95</li><li>Level I</li><li>Level II (if appropriate</li></ul>		
DMAS-96	DMAS-96	DMAS-96	DMAS-96	DMAS-96
DMAS-97	DMAS-97	DMAS-97	DMAS-97	DMAS-97
	DMAS-108 (as appropriate)		DMAS-108 (as appropriate)	
	DMAS-109 (as appropriate)		DMAS-109 (as appropriate)	

<sup>\*</sup>A copy of the DMAS-96 is always forwarded to the LDSS.

<sup>\*\*</sup>A full copy of the Screening Packet (all completed forms) is always provided to the individual or the individual's representative. ALL those Screened for LTSS must also receive a letter providing LTSS Screening results and appeal rights.

# naviHealth is NO LONGER being used **ALL LTSS Screenings** are submitted via ePAS



## You are legally required to provide CHOICE

#### Medicaid Law

- Screeners must provide CHOICE of LTSS to All
   Screened Individuals meeting Level of Care criteria
- Screeners do not have authority to override an individual's choice
  - Issues regarding Health, Safety and Welfare MUST be well documented, compelling and noted in the Case Summary



### **PASRR Process**

Nursing Facility

Medicaid 
Certified

 ALL individuals seeking admission to a Medicaidcertified NF must have Level I Screening and if needed Level II Evaluation and Determination PRIOR to Admission

 For individual who receive a Medicaid LTSS Screening the LTSS Screening team handles the process. For ALL other types of NF admissions, the NF handles the PASRR process

Level I Screening  Is there a mental health, intellectual disability or related condition?

Level II
Evaluation or
Determination

Specialized
 Services may be
 needed and
 offered to the
 individual



## **Helpful Hints**

- Check once ✓
  - Check twice ✓ ✓
    - Check three times ✓ ✓ ✓

To assure Name, SSN, Medicaid ID or Gender are correct

 ANYTHING that Auto fills and is NOT Correct must be sent to <u>ScreeningAssistance@dmas.Virginia.gov</u>

Do NOT contact your local DSS for changes to Name, SSN, Medicaid ID or Gender



## Helpful Hints: Successfully Processed

 Help your partners understand that "Successfully Processed" does not equate to Medicaid LTSS Authorization

 "Successfully processed" only means the computer system accepted the screening information into the system.



## Helpful Hints Using ScreeningAssistance

- How long does it take for a response from ScreeningAssistance?
  - Issue Specific
    - VOIDS can take 48-72 hours to research and once VOIDED changes can be made the next day
- Who contacts ScreeningAssistance?
  - Screeners and associated staff
  - NFs
  - Health Plans
  - Providers
- Please use ScreeningAssistance vs using individuals' emails. Using ScreeningAssistance enables us to track requests.
  - It is not necessary to copy individual emails when sending inquiries to ScreeningAssistance



### What's on the Horizon?

- Physician's Module
  - Open February 2020
  - If Physician already completed the longer LTSS
     Screening training there is no need to retake the physician specific module
  - Completion by June 2020
- MES: Medicaid Enterprise System replaces MMIS
  - Affects ePAS
  - Launch anticipated for July 2020



### Resources

- Medicaid LTSS Screening Manual Chapter IV version 4-18-19
- The Medicaid LTSS Screening Training: Modules and Handouts
- Medicaid LTSS Screening Worksheets: ADL Criteria, how to rate behavior and orientation as a joint criteria
- The MMIS and e-PAS Denial Resolution Reference



## **Final Thoughts**

## Hierarchy of Authority

Federal Medicaid Law

- Comes from the Social Security Act also found in the Code of Federal Regulations
- Assurance Provided by Virginia to CMS in order to receive Federal funding for Medicaid services

Virginia Medicaid and LTSS Laws

- Code of Virginia
- Virginia Administrative Code

Virginia
Procedures
and Processes

 Chapter IV of the Medicaid LTSS Screening Manual



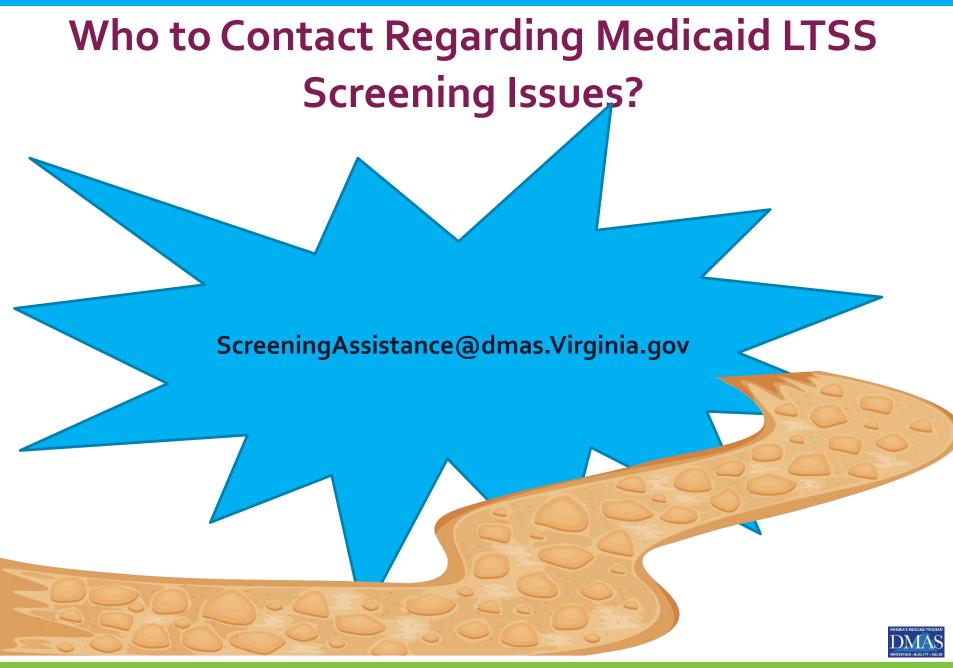
### Questions

 Urgent cross-cutting questions will be answered during the call as time permits.

 Questions regarding specific cases should be sent to ScreeningAssistance@dmas.Virginia.gov

 Please send issues and questions for our next call February 11, 2020 at 3:30.





## Glossary

- Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)
- Community-Based Team (CBT)
- Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDS)
- Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS)
- Fee For Service (FFS)
- Level of Care (LOC)

- Local Department of Social Services (LDSS)
- Local Health Department (LDH)
- Long-Term Services and Supports (LTSS)
- Nursing Facility: NF
- PreAdmission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR)
- Uniform Assessment Instrument (UAI)
- Virginia Administrative Code: (VAC)

